

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



*Developing and
Maintaining a
United Response*



A Statewide Training Conference

Sponsored By:

**United States Attorney's Offices for the
Eastern, Middle & Western Districts
of North Carolina**

and the

North Carolina Governor's Crime Commission

**September 20-22, 2005
Greensboro, North Carolina**

Featured Participants



Frank D. Whitney
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Anna Mills S. Wagoner
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USA, WDNC



Barry Bryant
NC Governor's Crime Commission



Opening Speaker:
The Honorable Alfred W. Kawsikpui
Chief District Court Judge - District 6B
Jackson, North Carolina

Judge Kwasikpui received his J.D. from Wake Forest University School of Law in Winston-Salem in 1981. Since that time he has served in the U.S. Army and has worked as an Assistant District Attorney for various prosecutorial Districts within North Carolina. In 1990, Judge Kwasikpui was appointed as a District Court Judge. He serves as a member of the Board of Governors of the NC District Court Judges' Association, the NC Task Force on Child Well-Being and Domestic Violence, the NC Custody/Visitation Mediation Subcommittee, and is Co-Founder of EXODUS for Youth, Inc.



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Reid McCormick
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Heather Thompson
Domestic Violence
Survivor



Valerie Asbell Mitchell
District Attorney
Bertie County



Michael Parker
District Attorney
Union County



Thomas J. Keith
District Attorney
Forsyth County



Sheriff Litchard Hurley
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Angie Boles, MSW
Help, Inc.
Center Against Violence in
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Marsha M. Stortell, J.D.
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Chad Slagle
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Tanisha Bagley
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Participating Agencies

Governor's Crime Commission, Domestic Violence Task Force
North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence
North Carolina Justice Academy

Conference Agenda

Monday, September 19

3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Conference Registration and Purple Shoe Memorial Exhibit



The Purple Shoe Memorial began in 2003 as a way to honor the Victims of domestic violence homicides in North Carolina. Purple is the color of domestic violence. A pair of purple shoes represents each woman who was a victim of a domestic violence homicide.

Tuesday, September 20

7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Conference Registration Continues
8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Welcome / Opening Remarks
9:00 - 9:45 a.m. Opening Speaker
9:45 - 10:15 a.m. State Prosecutions of Domestic Violence Offenders
10:15 - 10:30 a.m. BREAK
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. State Prosecutions of Domestic Violence Offenders (continued)
11:30 - 12:30 p.m. A Survivor's Story: How I Survived Domestic Violence and Lived to Do Something About It

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Working Lunch:
NC Coalition Against Domestic Violence
1:45 - 2:30 p.m. Reaching Domestic Violence Victims Through Program Assistance
2:30 - 3:15 p.m. Federal Domestic Violence Laws
3:15 - 3:30 p.m. BREAK
3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Federal Gun Laws / Project Safe Neighborhoods
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Reception

Wednesday, September 21

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Domestic Violence and Substance Abuse
9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Youth Panel: Effects of Domestic Violence on Youth
10:30 - 10:45 a.m. BREAK
10:45 - 11:45 a.m. Issues of Family Dynamics: Recognizing Indicators of Child Abuse & What to Do When You See Them
11:45 - 12:45 p.m. Patterns of Domestic Violence
12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch (On Your Own)

2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Emergency Medical Services: Meeting the Emergency Needs
3:30 - 3:45 p.m. BREAK
3:45 - 5:15 p.m. State of Domestic Violence in North Carolina

Thursday, September 22

LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

8:00 - 12:00 p.m. In-Service Training for Law Enforcement Officers:

This block of instruction covers four main topics: (1) Review of General Statute 50B; (2) Evidence Based Prosecution - focusing on spontaneous utterances and how to properly document exceptions to the hearsay rule; (3) Photographing Domestic Incidents - covering the basic principles of photographing victims, injuries, and property; and, (4) Offender & Victim Traits - providing a broad overview of characteristics of domestic violence victims and offenders.

This course satisfies the 2005 Mandatory 4-Hour In-Service Training Requirement for all municipal and state law enforcement officers.

NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT ATTENDEES

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Serving the Under Served - The Elderly
9:30 - 9:45 a.m. BREAK
9:45 - 10:45 a.m. Methamphetamine and Domestic Violence
10:45 - 11:00 a.m. BREAK
11:00 - 12:00 p.m. Shelters: The Bridge to Safety

ALL CONFERENCE ATTENDEES

12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Working Lunch
* Memorial for the Forgotten Domestic Violence Victim: Law Enforcement Officers Injured or Killed in the Line of Duty
Closing Remarks and Certificates

* "FLY THE BLUE." A presentation will be made to the North Carolina Associations of Police Officers and Sheriffs in honor and memory of officers who have been injured or killed in the line of duty responding to domestic violence calls.

It is important that we know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of all law enforcement agencies, and that we recognize our law enforcement officers who carry out their duty to serve the people by protecting the innocent against violence and disorder. Sadly, their lives are sometimes put in harm's way. Today we offer flags to be flown in their honor and to remind all that they are remembered in our hearts. SPECIAL GUESTS: Rockingham Senior High School JROTC Color Guard and Gale Buck playing the bagpipes.

Application / Registration Form

(Pre-Registration Required by August 19, 2005)

Name: _____
Last First MI
Preferred Name for Certificate/Name Tag: _____
SSN: _____ DOB: _____
Agency: _____
Job Title: _____
Address: _____
Street City State Zip
County: _____ E-Mail Address: _____
Work Phone: _____ Fax: _____

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

(NOTE: Attendees who live within a 50-mile radius (one-way) of the conference location will not be provided overnight accommodations. All overnight accommodations will be made by USAO staff.)

Will You Need Overnight Accommodations: _____ Yes _____ No

Preferred Check In Date:

(NOTE: Conference will pay for rooms September 19-21 for eligible attendees)

_____ Monday, September 19 (After 3:00 p.m.)

_____ Tuesday, September 20

Room Information:

Preferred Roommate: _____

_____ Male _____ Female Smoking: _____ Yes _____ No

Do You Prefer a Single Room: _____ Yes _____ No

(Note: You will be responsible for the entire cost of the room at \$64.98 per night, plus registration fee, if you have a single room. Reservations will be made for you, however, you will need to be able to pay the Marriott directly.)

Local - No Room Necessary: _____

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY AUGUST 19, 2005

A separate registration form must be completed by each individual attending the conference. Make your check payable in the amount of \$50 to the U.S. Attorney's LECC Fund. Checks should indicate the name(s) and agency to whom payment should be credited. Mail the check and the completed registration form to: Brad Hales, U.S. Attorney's Office, 310 New Bern Avenue, Suite 800, Federal Building, Raleigh, NC. 27601-1461. Conference reservations are not final until registration form and fee have been received. You will receive confirmation of your registration along with a map and other conference details. Any change in the attendee's name or arrival date information must be directed immediately to Brad Hales (919-856-4689) or your expenses may not be covered.

NO REFUNDS OR CANCELLATIONS AFTER AUGUST 19, HOWEVER, SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Conference Synopsis

This is a statewide training conference sponsored by the U.S. Attorney's Offices for the Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of North Carolina. This conference will focus the attention of participants across North Carolina on State and Federal domestic violence and firearms laws and how they can be used to assist in the investigation and prosecution of crimes of domestic violence. The conference will provide training for virtually every person involved in the domestic violence prevention, detection and prosecution arenas with the goal of unifying to strengthen our response to domestic violence in the state of North Carolina. Whether you are a victim, law enforcement officer, probation officer, victim/witness coordinator, prosecutor, judge, or service provider, you don't want to miss this conference.

Issues and Concerns

In 1994, Congress passed the Violence Against Women Act ("VAWA"). This Act, and the 1996 and 2000 additions to the Act, recognize that domestic violence is a national crime and that federal laws can help an overburdened state and local criminal justice system. In 1994 and 1996, Congress also passed changes to the Gun Control Act making it a federal crime in certain situations for domestic abusers to possess guns.

The majority of domestic violence cases will continue to be handled by state and local authorities. In some cases, however, the federal laws and the benefits gained from applying these laws, may be the most appropriate course of action.

This conference is designed to provide practical information on the available federal and state domestic violence laws and penalties and the rights of state and federal victims.

NOTE: This program has been submitted to the North Carolina State Bar for C.L.E. accreditation.

Conference Details

The conference will be held at the beautiful Greensboro Marriott Downtown Hotel, Greensboro, NC. A generous grant from the Governor's Crime Commission is paying for double occupancy lodging for conference attendees.** The reduced registration fee of \$50 per person covers the cost of conference speakers and materials, continental breakfast each day, 2 lunches, afternoon refreshments, and a reception.



** Attendees who live within a 50-mile radius (one-way) from the conference location will not be provided overnight accommodations.

Registration

Guests may check into the hotel after 3:00 p.m. on Monday, September 19th. Each registrant is required to occupy a double room to defray conference costs. Conference registration will be open from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and will continue from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 20th. The conference will commence with a welcome address at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 20th. For conference reservations or for more information, contact:

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